

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

*100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611*



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 3, 2008

10:00 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

*President Terrence J. O'Brien
Vice-President Kathleen Therese Meany
Chairman of Finance Gloria Alitto Majewski
Commissioner Frank Avila
Commissioner Patricia Horton
Commissioner Barbara J. McGowan
Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos
Commissioner Debra Shore
Commissioner Patricia Young*

Call to Order

President O' Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien; Kathleen Therese Meany; Gloria Alitto Majewski; Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; and Patricia Young

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Gloria Alitto Majewski, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:00 a.m. President O'Brien reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee**Report**

- 1 [08-1326](#) Report on the Investment Interest Income during February 2008.

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 2 [08-1327](#) Authority to add Project 07-167-5F, Permeable Pavement Installation, SWRP, to the Engineering Department Capital Improvement Program and the Stormwater Management Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$900,000.00

Approved

- 3 [08-1328](#) Authority to transfer 2008 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$525,000.00 in the Capital Improvements Bond Fund

Approved

- 4 [08-1329](#) Authority to Transfer \$15,000,000 from the Corporate Fund to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust (101-25000-601250)

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Purchasing Committee

Report

- 5 [08-1330](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 18, 2008

Published and Filed

- 6 [08-1331](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 25, 2008

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 7 [08-1359](#) Authorization to extend the termination date of sole source P.O. 3030235, to Siemens Building Technologies, Inc., for Maintenance Services for Fire Detection System at the Mainstream Pumping Station, from March 31, 2008 to May 31, 2008

Approved

- 8 [08-1360](#) Authority to join a coalition, REACT, to represent the District's interests before the Illinois Commerce Commission in ComEd delivery rate proceeding, ICC Docket No. 07-0566 and enter into an agreement with REACT's counsel, DLA Piper US LLP (DLA Piper), in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, Account 101-67000/68000/69000-612150, (Req. 1234651)

Approved

- 9 [08-1361](#) Authorization to ratify the action of the General Superintendent to extend the termination date and increase the value of Contract 06-970-11, Janitorial Services at Various Locations in the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant Area, Crescent Cleaning Company, in the amount of \$50,000.00, from \$388,673.12 to \$438,673.12, Account 101-69000-612490 (P.O. 5000495)

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 10 [08-1332](#) Authority to advertise contract 08-004-11 to furnish and deliver structural and stainless steel to various locations for a one (1) year period, estimated cost \$ 215,000.00, Account 101-20000-623030

Approved

- 11 [08-1333](#) Authority to advertise Contract 08-116-11 to furnish and deliver automatic samplers to the Northside, Kirie, Stickney and Calumet WRPs, estimated cost \$49,500.00, Account 101-16000-623570, (Requisition 1238444)
Approved
- 12 [08-1334](#) Authority to Advertise Contract 08-410-11, "Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Non-Stocked Office Supplies to Various Locations" Estimated Cost: \$44,300.00, Accounts: 101-11000-15000-16000-20000-25000-27000-30000-40000-66000-67000-69000-623520; 201-50000- 623520; and 501-50000-623520, (Requisition 1239042)
Approved
- 13 [08-1335](#) Authority to advertise Contract 08-682-11, Repair of Expansion Joints and Epoxy Injection at Various Service Areas, estimated cost is \$122,800.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000-612600/ 612650/612680 (Reqs. 1234677, 1232484, 1233489 and 1236537)
Approved
- 14 [08-1336](#) Authority to advertise Contract 08-725-11, Services to Recondition One 1,000 HP Blower Motor at the John E. Egan Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost is \$17,000.00, Account 101-67000-612650 (Req. 1236562)
Approved
- 15 [08-1337](#) Authority to advertise Contract 08-729-11, Services to Upgrade a Ten Ton Overhead Crane in the Process Control Building at the North Side Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost is \$65,000.00, Account 101 67000-612650 (Req. 1238445)
Approved
- 16 [08-1338](#) Authority to advertise Contract 08-768-11, Furnishing, Delivering and Installing Thermal Windows at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost is \$149,000.00, Account 101-67000-612680 (Req. 1239047)
Approved
- 17 [08-1339](#) Authority to advertise Contract 08-805-11, furnish and deliver a 7,000 kVA Transformer to the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost is \$525,000.00, Account 101-54000-645650 (Req. 1239613)
Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 18 [08-1340](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with Alfa-Laval, Inc., for repair and inspection services and parts, to repair Alfa-Laval rotating assemblies and centrifuges on an as-needed basis at the Egan, Calumet and Stickney Water Reclamation Plants in an amount not to exceed \$2,176,900.00. Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612650, 623270. Requisitions - 1233578, 1322583, 1233586, 1233600, 1235371, 1235374, and 1237508

Approved

- 19 [08-1341](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation for professional engineering services for Contract 04-203-4F, Final Reservoir Preparation, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, total cost not to exceed \$4,287,237.06, Account 401-50000-601420, (Req. 1239027)

Approved

- 20 [08-1342](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into agreements with The Chatter Box Cafe to provide Food Services at the Main Office Building and at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant for a Thirty-six (36) Month Period, in an amount not to exceed \$104,400.00, and with Hometown Suburban Vending Inc. for vending services at various District locations 07-RFP-16 (Re-bid), (Requisition 1201825). Account 101-15000-612490

Approved

- 21 [08-1343](#) Issue a Purchase Order to Johnson Controls, Inc. for Building Security, Building Fire Detection and Property Entrance Gate Systems at the North Side Data Center in an Amount not to Exceed \$153,989.00. Account: 101-27000-623810 (Req. 1240073)

Approved

- 22 [08-1344](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with LAI, LTD., for furnishing and delivering replacement parts and maintenance repairs for Rotork sluice gate operators, Gardner Denver compressor parts, Wemco pump parts and MSA gas detection units, to various locations for an amount not exceed \$397,625.00. Accounts: 101 - 67000, 68000, 69000 - 612600, 623070, 623270, 623780
Requisitions: 1199691, 1199654, 1203609, 1204154 1211627, 1227934, 1230321, 1231279, 1236551, 1237015

Approved

- 23 [08-1345](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with LimnoTech to provide consulting services for the Chicago Area Waterway System Habitat Evaluation and Improvement Study, in an amount not to exceed \$945,000.00, 07-RFP-34, Account 401-50000-601170; Bond Fund (Requisition 1222697)

Approved

- 24 [08-1346](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with RedSky Technologies, Inc., to provide a system upgrade and scheduled maintenance for three years on the Emergency 911 Call Manager in an amount not to exceed \$101,860.00, Accounts 101-27000-612820,612840 (Req. 1240040)

Approved

- 25 [08-1347](#) Issue Purchase Order and Enter into an Agreement with Xerox Corporation, for an Annual Maintenance and Service Agreement for the 5090 and 6180 High-Speed Duplicators in the Print Shop, in an amount not to exceed \$131,161.00. Account 101-15000-612800 (Requisition 1240535)

Approved

Award Contract

- 26 [08-1348](#) Authority to award Contract 05-836-3D, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, for Lockport Power House Sluice Gates Replacement in the South Service Area, in an amount not to exceed \$11,227,400.00. Account 401-50000-645720. Requisition 1226117

Approved

- 27 [08-1349](#) Authority to award Contract 07-932-12, to Sievert Electric Service & Sales Company, for Repair Services for Overhead Cranes at the Mainstream Pumping Station, in an amount not to exceed \$520,000.00. Account 101-69000-612600. Requisition 1201822

Approved

- 28 [08-1350](#) Authority to award Contract 08-620-11, to Tri-Electronics, Inc., for Maintenance and Repair Services for Radio Communication Equipment in Various Service Areas, in an amount not to exceed \$168,000.00, Account 101-69000-612840, Requisition 1231322

Approved

- 29 [08-1351](#) Authority to award Contract 08-626-11, to Diamond Detective Agency, Inc., for Security Services at the Lockport Powerhouse, in a total amount not to exceed \$113,685.00, Account 101-66000-612490, Requisition 1231285

Approved

- 30 [08-1352](#) Authority to award Contract 08-691-11, Group B, to Synagro Central, LLC, for Services of Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids from the Stickney and Calumet Service Area, in an amount not to exceed \$2,880,000.00, Account 101-66000-612520, Requisition 1222740

Approved

- 31 [08-1353](#) Authority to award Contract 08-713-11 to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., to Furnish, Deliver, and Install Filter Bags at the North Side Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$153,135.00, Account 101-67000-612650, Requisition 1232495
Approved
- 32 [08-1354](#) Authority to award a contract to Aetna Inc. to Provide a Dual Choice Dental Plan for Employees from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011 (08-RFP-05), Account 101-25000-601250
Approved
- 33 [08-1355](#) Authority to award a contract to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois, a division of Health Care Service Corporation, to provide Preferred Provider Option (PPO), Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), and Prescription Drug Benefits Coverage for Employees and Retirees from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011 (08-RFP-04), Account 101-25000-601250
Approved
- 34 [08-1356](#) Authority to award a contract to Vision Service Plan of Illinois to Provide Vision Plan Administration for Employees from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011 (08-RFP-06) Account 101-25000-601250
Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 35 [08-1357](#) Authority to increase Purchase Order 3043446 to Seyfarth Shaw LLP for representation of Patrick J. Foley in connection with Daniel Knox v. MWRDGC, et al., 06 C 1158, in an amount not to exceed \$2,903.82 from an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$37,903.82. Account 101-30000-601170
Approved
- 36 [08-1358](#) Authority to increase Agreement to Conservation Design Forum for 04-RFP-07, Native Landscape Conversion at the Stickney and Calumet Water Reclamation Plants, in an amount of \$41,920.00, from an amount not to exceed \$78,260.00 to an amount not to exceed \$120,180.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-601170 (P.O. 3030408) (*Deferred at the March 20, 2008 Board Meeting*) (*As revised*)
A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Patricia Young, that this Agenda Item be Deferred. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section with the exception of Item: 36

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Patricia Young, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Affirmative Action Committee**Report**

- 37 [08-1362](#) Report on 2007 Contract Awards Under the Affirmative Action Ordinance

A motion was made by Patricia Horton, seconded by Debra Shore, that this Report be Published and Filed. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Engineering Committee**Report**

- 38 [08-1363](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Chief Engineer during the month of February 2008

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 39 [08-1364](#) Recommendation for the issuance of a permit to 600 Waukegan Road LLC, as Sole Permittee, for a project in unincorporated Northfield Township, Sewerage System Permit Application 06-015 (*Deferred at the March 20, 2008 Board Meeting*)

Deleted by the General Superintendent

- 40 [08-1365](#) Authority to authorize payment to 321 West Pershing LLC as monetary consideration for an easement grant in connection with the 39th Street Conduit Rehabilitation Phase I Bypass Tunnel, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 (ROW File No. 14, Contract 01-103-2S), Account 401-50000-667340

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section with the exception of Item: 39

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Debra Shore, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Industrial Waste & Water Pollution Committee

Authorization

- 41 [08-1366](#) Request by Saint Paul Lutheran Church of Mount Prospect, IL to Waive Penalty Charges for Late Submittal of User Charge Annual Certified Statements
- A motion was made by Patricia Horton, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**
- Aye:** 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Judiciary Committee

Report

- 42 [08-1367](#) Report on the Settlement of:
1. Workers' Compensation Claim of Daniel Gall, File #0200003540, \$7,058.36;
 2. Workers' Compensation Claim of Edward McKinley, File # 0200003445, \$750.00;
 3. Workers' Compensation Claim of Joseph Paglini, 04WC 32492, \$1,975.10; and
 4. Installment Payment Plan and Freeze Interest in MWRD v. Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, 2005 & 2006 User Charge Liability

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 43 [08-1368](#) Settlement of the Workers' Compensation Claim of Frank Ciolino vs. MWRDGC, File No. 0200002946, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission in the sum of \$23,670.80. Account 901-30000-601090
- Approved**
- 44 [08-1369](#) Settlement of the Workers' Compensation Claim of Eugene DelGiudice vs. MWRDGC, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission in the sum of \$11,835.40. Account 901-30000-601090
- Approved**

- 45 [08-1370](#) Settlement of the Workers' Compensation Claim of William J. Kelly, Jr. vs. MWRDGC, File No. 0200002905, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission in the sum of \$14,794.25. Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

- 46 [08-1371](#) Settlement of the Workers' Compensation Claim of John Poulos vs. MWRDGC, File Nos. 0200002939 and 0200003367, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission in the sum of \$26,658.71. Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Maintenance & Operations Committee

Authorization

- 47 [08-1372](#) Authority to Declare an Emergency to Replace Backwater Gates at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, Contract 08-900-03, T.J. Lambrecht Construction, Inc., estimated cost is not to exceed \$85,000.00, Account 101-69000-612600 (Req. 1240042)

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Gloria Alitto Majewski, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Public Information & Education

Authorization

- 48 [08-1373](#) Request authority to pay the State of Illinois Special State Projects Trust Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the Spring 2008 Household Hazardous Waste Collection. Account 101-66000-612410

A motion was made by Kathleen Therese Meany, seconded by Patricia Horton, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 49 [08-1374](#) Authority to execute a "Consent for Right of Entry" to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for its Gale Road Embankments and Conservation Road Highwall Projects (AML-GFuE-0604) in Fulton County, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Approved

- 50 [08-1375](#) Authorize and approve the issuance of a five- (5) year permit to the U.S. Geological Illinois Water Science Center (USGS) and the University of Illinois (UIUC), co-permittees, authorizing the installation of a Chicago Waterway Observatory within the Chicago River Controlling Works South Sluice Gate building (CRCW/South) located in DuSable Harbor. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Approved

- 51 [08-1376](#) Authorize and approve the waiver of the environmental insurance and performance bond provisions in the Easement Agreement with the City of Palos Hills for construction and maintenance of a pedestrian bridge over Lucas Ditch located south of 107th Street in Palos Hills, Illinois

Approved

- 52 [08-1377](#) Issue orders authorizing the issuance of a six- (6) month permit to MWH Americas, Inc. (MWH), on behalf of its subcontractor, ADS, LLC (ADS), to install temporary flow metering equipment at two locations in the District's Interceptor Sewer Northwest No. 3C and Northwest No. 3B as part of the Citywide Sewer Modeling, Basin 2C, Project No. 6162B with the City of Chicago, Department of Water Management. Consideration shall be a \$2,000.00 document preparation fee

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Debra Shore, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

State Legislation & Rules Committee

Authorization

- 53 [08-1378](#) Authority to Amend Agreement with Kevin Fitzpatrick for Professional Services as Legislative Liaison for the Year 2008 State of Illinois Legislative Activities. Total amendment amount not to exceed \$8,700.00, in addition to the agreement amount of \$94,800.00, including expenses Account 101-30000-601170

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Patricia Horton, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Stormwater Management

Authorization

- 54 [08-1379](#) Authority to establish a Rain Garden Demonstration Program s. under the Stormwater Management Fund

A motion was made by Patricia Young, seconded by Debra Shore, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien, Kathleen Therese Meany, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young

Miscellaneous and New Business

Memorial Resolution

- 55 [08-1380](#) MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners extending sympathy and condolences to the family of Victoria LaTrice Richardson

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Memorial Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

- 56 [08-1381](#) MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners extending sympathy and condolences to the family of Fred F. Herzog
Deferred by Gloria Alitto Majewski

Meeting Summary

Summary of Requests

Barbara J. McGowan requested to breakdown information by department (Re: Affirmative Action Item: 37)

Patricia Horton requested the hand out that was passed to the Board of Commissioners regarding pharmaceutical waste "Making Every End User a Part of the Solution" be incorporated into the permanent records of proceedings.

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2008, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Purchasing Agent for signature and preparation: April 7, 2008

Date Board letters are due to the General Superintendent: 1:00 p.m., April 10, 2008

Adjournment

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on Thursday, April 17, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. and that today's meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

/s/ Jacqueline Torres
Clerk

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this April 3, 2008, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Terrence J. O'Brien

President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

April 3, 2008